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Sir:

As far as could be determined, a first Office Action on the merits in connection with the above-identified application had not been mailed as of the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b) and 1.98, attached hereto is a form PTO-1449 listing U.S. Patent Nos. 5,321,703, 5,522,031, 5,564,116, and 5,649,093 which were cited in a Notice of Allowability dated February 16, 1999, issued in application Serial No. 08/895,886 filed on July 17, 1997, the parent application of the present application.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(d), copies of the four references listed on the form PTO-1449 are <u>not</u> being provided with this Information Disclosure Statement because the references were